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For: INFORMATION PROCESSING APPARATUS,
INFORMATION PROCESSING METHOD,
INFORMATION PROCESSING PROGRAM,
SERVICE PROVIDING APPARATUS, SERVICE
PROVIDING METHOD, SERVICE PROVIDING
PROGRAM AND RECORDING MEDIUM
Group Art Unit: 2161
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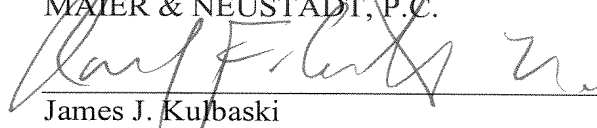
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COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

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The Examiner's statement of reasons for allowance, included under the heading "Reasons for Allowance" on page 2 attached to the "Notice of Allowability" (PTOL-37) that is in turn attached to the "Notice of Allowance and Fee(s) Due" mailed October 27, 2006, is mistaken in referring to the subject matter of all of the allowed claims as including subject matter to be found in just independent Claim 1 and the claims that depend thereon. It is also mistaken in indicating that Claim 1 includes a "responding unit" when it actually recites a "responding part."

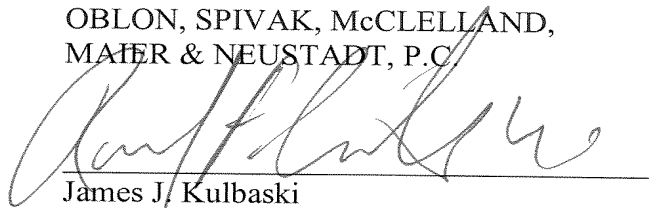
Allowed independent Claim 1 is an information processing apparatus claim while allowed independent Claim 22 is an information processing method claim that recites step limitations, not the apparatus "parts" recited by Claim 1. Also, allowed independent Claim

22 is an information processing program on a computer readable recording medium claim that recites the steps the program requires to be performed, not the apparatus "parts" recited by Claim 1.

Accordingly, the above-noted Examiner's statement of reasons for allowance" should be modified to indicate that the above-noted "responding unit" is actually recited to be a "responding part" and that the statement as made only applies to independent Claim 1 and the claims dependent thereon.

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